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ALLECHENY OBSERVATORY.

ALLECHENY, PENNSYLVANIA.

June. 17. 87

Dear Sir.

I have yours of the 10th concerning
the reproduction of the Nasmyth
plates. If it is to be a question
of losing a further year, as you say,
I must accede to your proposal
to reproduce them, and say
"go on". I beg however that
you will act with as great
consideration as you can show
to the wishes of the Century
Company, from whom I have
experienced only courteous treatment.

Yours truly
S. P. Langley

B. H. Sackner Esq

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Ans^d.

A Meghery Observatory

A Meghery. Penn^a.

Aug. 26. 1871

Dear Sir.

I learn from Dr. Gilson, whom you met at Indianapolis, that it is your intention to establish a Magnetic observatory in this vicinity.

I should be glad to see it in our own neighbourhood. Ground adjacent to us can be purchased in conveniently small lots, and if a temporary site were

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needed I should be pleased to
have you make use of a part
of the Observatory grounds, which
cover some ten acres, and are
in what is virtually a stonem
suburb of Pittsburgh, about two
miles from its centre. The
Observatory is connected with the
Western Union and Pennsylvania
R. R. th telelines by permanent wires,
beside a private telegraph line
of its own. I go East on
the first, for a few days
absence, but shall be pleased
to see any officer of the C.S.
after the middle of the month, here
if I can further your wishes

Yours truly
S. P. Langley

Assistant J. E. Hilgard
In Charge Coast Survey Office

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Observatory, Allegheny.
Nov. 15. 1869

Messrs O. Bond. & Son.
Boston. Mass.

Gentlemen
I have delayed acknowledging
the receipt of your letter of
the 26th partly because I thought
it possible that I might be
called to Boston, on the business
in question, and have the
opportunity of thanking you in
person for your very great
kindness. As it seems uncertain
when I shall go East. I beg
to express my acknowledgments
here. I had about made up
my mind, in favor of Jones System
and am glad to find my opinion
confirmed by yours.

Very truly Yours
S. P. Langley.

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*Prof. Samuel P. Langley,
Noted Scientist, Who
Passed Away Yesterday*



PROF. LANGLEY, SCIENTIST, DEAD

Man Whose Airship Was Failure Passes Away at Aiken, S. C., as Congress Is Discussing Aerial Navigation.

VICTIM OF SECOND PARALYTIC ATTACK

Was Born in Roxbury, Mass., in 1834—Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution and Inventor of the Bolometer.

AIKEN, S. C., Feb. 27, 1906. Prof. S. P. Langley, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, and known as a scientist throughout the world, died here at noon today. The cause of death was paralysis, of which he suffered a second stroke yesterday.

beef trust will buy up Col. Jones' invention and thus maintain their corner on part of our food supply.

Well! well! what's getting into the American nation? Is athletics getting unpopular? Let the subscriptions just roll in to pay the expenses of the picked team to the Olympic games. Gov. Guild has done his share of the work. We should have some pride. Do not let America be found wanting when the roll of athletes is called at the stadium in Greece on April 1 next.

Nests of the brown-tail moth and the eggs of the gypsy moth, both of which are becoming very common in eastern Massachusetts, may be easily found and destroyed at this time. If neglected now, the problem becomes much more serious when a few weeks later the young caterpillars are devouring the foliage.

France's new war weapon consists of an ironclad automobile, with a speed of twenty-eight miles an hour, carrying a Hotchkiss gun and 5000 cartridges. It is said to be designed for working against the enemy's front. There are many peace parties in the world who think the automobile is deadly enough.

All hail the penitential season. There is need enough of repentance for all of us. Ninety-nine of the one hundred good resolutions we made on New Year's day have long since been shattered into bits. It is opportune just now to take a mental account of stock.

Judging from the following yell the Vassar girls are getting real giddy.

Osky wow wow,

Whisky wow wow

AS PENELOPE SEES IT.

There is a tradition—it started, I believe as a rule, but has come into this later condition—that passengers leaving the cars at the Dudley street station for the elevated trains are to make use of the front door, while the people taking the cars on the return trip are to enter at the rear. That seems a most sensible and comfortable arrangement, but it does not meet the approval of a portion of the public who propose to board the cars "any old way" which pleases it, and it pleases, very many times, to jostle and push the passengers who are leaving the car indicated by the rules, often causing them to miss a train and always making egress as difficult as possible.

There seems no way of meeting this evil, and until some method is devised I suppose there is nothing to do but to bear it as philosophically as possible, getting what consolation one can from the consciousness of doing the right thing one's self. I saw a little incident a few days ago which amused me very much and which should be a lesson to the special offender—but it won't. The rush is always the worst when women are getting out of the car; and men are the offenders, generally quite young

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